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Senator Osten, Senator Formica, Representative Walker,

Representative Ziobron and Members of the Committee.

I am so glad to be in a place like FISH. It's a great place with good people. I feel at home here; it's like there is a family here because if not for me being here I don't think I would have gotten through the winter. FISH has helped me out so much and have put a smile on my kids face. They are just glad that I am in a safe, happy place where people truly care for you and they try their best to make you the best you can be to better yourself. I am truly thankful that there are places like this for people to grow and to start a new life, and change their lives for the better. Thank you so much for helping me. Bless everyone at FISH for making life better.

Please don't cut the money that helps FISH help people like me who have nowhere to go.

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FISH Shelter Resident